

ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Revenue Department – Allegation of Corruption against Sri Kallakuri Kantha Rao, S/o Late Bhavani Sankaram, Village Revenue Officer, Gudem Village, I/c Gurla, Vizianagaram dist. – Sanction for Prosecution – Order – Issued.

REVENUE(VIG.VII) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.881

Dated 16-07-2008

ORDER:

Whereas, Sri Kallakuri Kantha Rao, S/o Late Bhavani Sankaram worked as Village Revenue Officer, Gudem Village, I/c Gurla, Vizianagaram district from 9-2-2007 to 23-5-2007. By virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of public servant as defined in section 2(c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.(Central Act 49 of 1988);

2) And whereas Sri Karrothu Sreenu S/o late Ramulu, Garividi village, Vizianagaram district has two daughters. He came to know that financial assistance would be given to those who have two female children under the "Balika Samrakshana Insurance Scheme" and for the above said scheme he applied to the Tahsildar, Gurla mandal, Gurla on 11-4-2007 for issue of Birth Certificates of his two daughters. He also submitted the prescribed application forms, birth certificates etc of his two daughters along with the application. The Tahsildar entrusted the application to Sri K.Kantha Rao, Village Revenue Officer. On that Sri K.Sreenu met Sri K.Kantha Rao, Village Revenue Officer, Gurla on the same day and requested for issuing Birth, Caste and Income Certificates. Sri K.Kantha Rao, Village Revenue Officer demanded a bribe of Rs.500/- for processing and issuing the said certificates. Sri K.Sreenu expressed his inability to pay the bribe amount. Sri K.Sreenu again met Sri K.Kantha Rao, Village Revenue Officer several times, but Sri K.Kantha Rao, Village Revenue Officer insisted Sri K.Sreenu that the certificates would be issued only after payment of bribe of Rs.500/-. Finally, on 21-5-2007 Sri K.Sreenu met Sri K.Kantha Rao, Village Revenue Officer and requested for processing and issuing the certificates but Sri K.Kantha Rao, Village Revenue Officer demanded to pay the bribe of Rs.500/-. Though Sri K.Sreenu reluctantly accepted the demand of Sri K.Kantha Rao, Village Revenue Officer, he approached the Inspector, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Vizianagaram on 23-5-2007 and gave a written complaint for taking necessary action against Sri K.Kantha Rao, Village Revenue Officer;

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3) And whereas, having received the above complaint, the Deputy Superintendent of Police, full additional charge Vizianagaram after observing the procedure, registered the same

as a case in Cr.No.5/RCT-ACB/VZM/2007 under section 7, 13(2) r/w 13(1)(d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 on 23-5-2007 at 8 AM and took up investigation;

4) And whereas, Sri Kallakuri Kantha Rao, S/o Late Bhavani Sankaram, Village Revenue Officer, Gudem Village, I/c Gurla, Vizianagaram dist. was trapped by the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Visakhapatnam, full additional charge Vizianagaram on 23-5-2007 at 11.45 AM at a Tea stall of Sri Meesala Eswara Rao at the Mandal Revenue Officers office junction, when he demanded and accepted bribe of Rs.500/- from Sri Karrothu Sreenu S/o late Ramulu, Garividi village, Vizianagaram district. When chemical test was conducted on the fingers of both the hands of Sri K.Kantha Rao, it yielded positive result. Sri K.Kantha Rao, Village Revenue Officer produced a wad of currency notes from his right side pant hip pocket. The chemical test conducted on the inner-linings of the right side pant hip pocket where from the tainted amount was recovered, it yielded positive result. The bribe amount and the connected records were seized;

5) And whereas, the above acts of Sri Kallakuri Kantha Rao, S/o Late Bhavani Sankaram, Village Revenue Officer, Gudem Village, I/c Gurla, Vizianagaram district do constitute offences punishable under sections 7 and 13(2) readwith 13(1)(d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Central Act 49 of 1988);

6) And whereas, the Government of Andhra Pradesh being the competent authority to remove Sri Kallakuri Kantha Rao, S/o Late Bhavani Sankaram, Village Revenue Officer, Gudem Village, incharge Gurla, Vizianagaram district from service and after carefully considering the material placed before them with regard to the said allegation and having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, consider that the said Sri Kallakuri Kantha Rao, S/o Late Bhavani Sankaram, Village Revenue Officer, Gudem Village, incharge Gurla, Vizianagaram district should be prosecuted in a competent court of law for the above said offences.

7) Now, therefore in exercise of the powers conferred by section 19(1)(b) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby accord sanction for

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prosecution of the said Sri Kallakuri Kantha Rao, S/o Late Bhavani Sankaram, Village Revenue Officer, Gudem Village, incharge Gurla, Vizianagaram district under sections 7 and 13(2) readwith

13(1)(d) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and for any other cognate offences punishable under any other provisions of law for the time being in force and for taking cognizance of the said offences by the Court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.SUDHIR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director General
Anti Corruption Bureau
Hyderabad.